

# FRANCHISE EXPRESS

Starting a Small Business or a Franchise in a Down Economy

### How to Minimize the Risk

**ATTN: Small Business Owners and Entrepreneurs** 

You are invited to attend the

## FRANCHISE EXPRESS

Owning a B2B, Retail, Auto, Food or Consumer Service Franchise How to minimize the risk in a down economy

Tuesday, March 23, 2010 8:30 am – Noon

Falls Church City Community Center

223 Little Falls Street Falls Church, VA 22046 Register at: <a href="https://www.vastartup.org">www.vastartup.org</a> or call: 804.371.8131

**Franchise Express** is a series of FREE workshops offered throughout Virginia that provide interactive discussions and exercises covering key elements of business practices, hosted by your Virginia business partners.

EXTRA: International Franchise Expo – April 9-11, 2010 Washington, DC

#### **Segments Will Include:**

- HOW TO RESEARCH EXISTING BUSINESSES AND FRANCHISES
- HOW CAN I MINIMIZE MY RISK ?
- MARKETING STRATEGIES
- WHAT ABOUT FINANCING?
- WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO SUCCEED?
- AVAILABLE RESOURCES

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